



*National Discussion on Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment
at America's Colleges, Universities and Service Academies*

Ladies and Gentlemen:

America's colleges, universities, and service academies bear an important responsibility for the future of our nation. Today's students are tomorrow's leaders, innovators, and providers. They trust us to provide a safe and supportive learning environment.

Sexual assault and sexual harassment undermine the social contract we have with our students, cadets, and midshipmen. We have a responsibility to attack these destructive behaviors on our campuses with a sense of urgency.

As educators, we share a passion for teaching and a call to serve. As leaders in the public and private sectors, we have voices and platforms that can drive change across the nation. We must work together to fulfill the sacred responsibility we have to our students.

Please join us for an open and frank discussion to identify ongoing problems and share best practices to find lasting solutions. Together, we can build a lasting network of senior leaders, experts, and dynamic thinkers to collaborate and share ideas to eliminate sexual assault and sexual harassment on college campuses, universities, and service academies.

We owe it to our students to do everything in our power to prepare them for the important work ahead. Let's join together in service to our students and our country.

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Dr. Mark T. Esper
Secretary of the Army

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